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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

MANIPULATION CAN'T HOLD IT DOWN.

The most active stock on the call board Saturday was Booth stock, which after a steady decline during the past month of from 48 cents to 22 bid and 23 asked Friday, jumped on Saturday to 30 bid and 33 asked, a gain of 10 points in one day. For months certain interests have not only been buying Booth stock, but have been knocking it steadily, and the report was sent out—the report a lie—that even the controlling owners admit that the Red Top vein does not strike this ground.

The Booth property lies on the southeast side of Columbia mountain, adjoining and paralleling the Red-Top Fraction property on the southeast and with the Red Top proper and the famous Hayes-Monnette Mohawk lease property on its southern end, and its northern and eastern boundaries are formed by the Oro Goldfield. It is almost surrounded by the active properties of the Goldfield Consolidated company, into which the Red Top, Mohawk, and these other rich mines have been merged, and the stock of the Consolidated has advanced from something like \$5.50 two months ago to \$8.70 yesterday. The Booth property has the best location of any of the Goldfield properties, and right along a big force of men has been steadily and quietly at work, under the eye of a competent engineer, going after the rich Red Top ledge, which is known to dip under the property.

The announcement of George Wingfield, who owns the controlling interest in the Booth, that he is now going to put his personal attention to the development of certain of his properties, among them the Booth, has had a good moral effect, and the jump of 10 points in the stock on Saturday has caused a consternation among some of the knockers, many of whom have been selling short for the past month, expecting to recover at still lower prices. Watch Booth stock. It will be hitting the dollar mark before you know it.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE.

With the passing of James O'Neal, the old teamster who was found dead in his cabin in Tonopah on Saturday, an old landmark of the Nevada mining camps has been obliterated—but not forgotten. For forty years he has been a resident of Nevada, and he could tell the story of the successes and vicissitudes of mining in Nevada, from the glorious days of the old Comstock lode to the days when the first tent was struck on that spot of the desert which was destined to bear the name of Goldfield. Virginia City, Gold Hill, Eureka, Austin, Candelaria, Tonopah and Goldfield—at the birth of all these he helped. Honest, upright, and liberal to a fault, he at times accumulated competencies, only to lend or give them to a friend here and a friend there—never to be repaid as a rule, until when death came he was unattended and alone, dependent upon his daily work for his daily bread. Perhaps he would have rather had it so. And as the pioneers of Nevada who are in and around Tonopah follow his body to its last resting place in the bosom of that desert over which he has gazed for the past two score years, a tear will trickle down more than one bronzed cheek, nor will it be a cause for shame. And yet, why sorrow? For more than man's allotted three score years and ten James O'Neal has been prospecting and now, James O'Neal has "struck it rich" at last.

NEEDS SUPPORT OF BUSINESS INTERESTS.

Relative to the fight which is now on, headed by Reno business men, to force the Southern Pacific Company into granting a railway terminal rate for some point in the state of Nevada, which fight has been carried before the interstate commerce commission, the Tonopah Bonanza has from time to time declared that it is the duty of every resident of the state to help in the fight in any way possible. As showing in what way the business interests and private citizens of Tonopah may help, we publish the following letter from the Reno Commercial Club:

To the Commercial Clubs, Merchants, and Citizens of Nevada:

Gentlemen—For many years the growth and prosperity of the state of Nevada, and that portion of California east of the Sierra range, have been retarded and held back, and the cost of living made unnecessarily high by the unjust, excessive and discriminative rates of freight charged to all parts of the state; not only on the necessities of life, but on everything that tends to the making and upbuilding of the state.

All efforts to have the freight rates to the state reduced so as to permit its people to prosper and the different communities within the state to grow have so far been ignored, and to use the expression published in one of the California leading daily papers, said to have emanated from the San Francisco Merchants' exchange, "While we admit that Nevada is charged exorbitant and unjust rates of freight, yet, we have the state by the throat, with a strangle hold, and do not propose to release that hold."

Some months ago the citizens of Reno, backed by the Commercial club, petitioned the state railroad commission of Nevada to present the case of the people of Nevada to the interstate commerce commission at Washington, in consequence of which the state railroad commission, on behalf of the citizens, filed complaint with the interstate commerce commission, against the Southern Pacific railroad company and allied lines, asking the interstate commission to grant a hearing looking to the fair and equitable adjustment of freight rates to this state.

The interstate commerce commission has acknowledged the petition and will give a hearing in the near future, the exact date of which has not been settled.

The state railroad commission of Nevada, assisted by a corps of able rate men have been working hard for some time past tabulating these different rates and making comparisons, so as to present a strong case when the hearing is held. What we ask is: To be placed on the same basis as other states, such as Utah, Idaho, Montana and Washington, all of which have intermediate terminal points within the state, and in consequence of which, they have grown and prospered and their resources have been developed.

We have allied against us powerful interests. Not only the railroad itself, but the various California boards of trade and wholesale interests who do not wish to see Nevada free herself and become an

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Independent state, and have declared that they will spend any amount necessary to defeat the petition for better rates for the state.

As this is a matter that vitally concerns every shipper and every consumer of goods within the confines of this state. It is a matter of concern as much to the laboring man, who pays an exorbitant price for every tool he uses and every pound of food consumed by himself and his family, as it is to the man of wealth, who finds himself burdened with excessive expense in carrying on the volume of business that his capital makes possible.

The case is known as No. 1665 on the files of the interstate commerce commission, and has been assigned to Commissioner Cockrell for hearing.

Every effort that can be made by the state railroad commission will be made to properly prepare and present this case.

We have an exceedingly strong case, and with the moral and financial assistance we feel assured the citizens of the state will give, we have every reason to believe we will win and secure substantial relief that will benefit all.

Respectfully yours,

RENO COMMERCIAL CLUB.

THE REDSKINS HAD SUPPLY OF BAD BOOZE

Chief of Police Malley arrested a drunken Indian and his squaw last evening while they were having a regular family row in the street, opposite the Big Casino. Big Johnnie and the squaw, Little Mary, had participated of the white man's joy juice and both were pretty well soured. Johnnie evidently conceived the idea that Mary was imbibing too much and he landed one of Battling Nelson's right swings to the jaw and Mary went to the ground. After she had taken the count she started to regain her feet, but this didn't suit Johnnie, who was scrapping according to the rules of his ancestors, and he landed several on Mary's ribs with his feet. Mary threw up the sponge and part of the booze and then the big chief interfered. When arrested Johnnie had two bottles of the disturbance concealed about his clothes and when questioned as to where he had secured the whisky refused to answer on the grounds that he had not consulted his attorney. They were both placed in the town lock up.

It's quite necessary that you visit the utility table at St. Mark's Bazaar. See large ad.

"JAIL BREAKER" UNDER ARREST

Deputy Sheriff Vail Pittman returned from Manhattan last evening bringing with him William Ryder, who was sentenced by the justice court in that camp to serve three months in jail and pay a fine of \$15. on a charge of malicious mischief. Several days ago Ryder, while intoxicated, broke the lock off the Manhattan jail with a pick and liberated his partner, who had been arrested on a charge of drunkenness. Both were immediately arrested by the officers when they discovered the jail break and Ryder's partner, J. P. Donahue was fined \$75 by Judge Chambers, which he paid.

Ryder is considered a "bad man" in Manhattan and recently took a shot at a bartender there, but luckily failed to hit him.

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